THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) No, Sir. The conditions of the parks under the control of Horticulture Department of CPWD is good.

(b) The parks in Sarojini Nagar Government colony maintained by CPWD are in satisfactory condition.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Presently there is no proposal to provide benches in the parks maintained by CPWD.

Electricity fitting in Government quarters

†2096. SHRI BASHISTHA NARAJN SINGH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 2800 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th August, 2005 and state:

(a) whether Government are providing the facilities of electricity fittings etc. in such quarters also where the allottees are already living and have asked for it;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

"(c) whether these facilities are being provided in Type-Ill quarters in Sarojini Nagar; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and by when these facilities would be made available?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (c) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (d) Do not arise.

Development of Mumbai and Lucknow

†2097. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned the schemes for developing Mumbai and Lucknow on the lines of Shanghai and Munich respectively, if so, by when;

(b) the present status of the National Urban Renewal Mission and schemes formulated for providing infrastructure facilities in small and medium cities; and

(c) by when the above schemes would be implemented?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Since the inception of Centrally Sponsored Scheme-"Infrastructure Development in Mega Cities" (in 1993-94), the Ministry has been providing financial assistance to five mega cities including Mumbai. Recently, the Ministry of Urban Development has launched Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) to provide Central assistance for development of select cities including Mumbai and Lucknow.

(b) and (c) The Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission and Urban Infrastructure Development Scheme for Small and Medium Towns have been launched by the Government on 3.12.2005.

Charitable hospitals

2098. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that trusts and societies are allocated land and other infrastructure required for setting up of charitable hospitals at concessional rates for providing healthcare to the poor;

(b) whether it is a fact that a number of corporate entities are taking over charitable hospitals to circumvent land lease terms and allotment;

(c) if so, the number of such charitable hospital taken over by corporate entities during the last three years in metropolitan cities;

(d) whether such acquired hospitals have become inaccessible for the poor; and

(e) if so, the measures contemplated to prevent acquisition for profiteering?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Land has been allotted by Land and Development Office (L&DO) in Delhi to registered societies/Trusts at pre-determined rates subject to fulfilment of eligibility conditions. Delhi Development Authority (DDA) also used to allot land for hospitals to registered societies at predetermined rates subject to fulfilment of eligibility conditions and availability of land. Since July, 2002, DDA has decided to dispose of hospital plots by way of public auction.

(b) to (e) On receipt of reports regarding taking over of Jessa Ram Hospital through Management Contract, Land & Development Office issued Notice to Jessa Ram Hospital seekign details. Reply received from the Hospital in response to that notice has been taken up for examination in consultation with Ministry of Law.